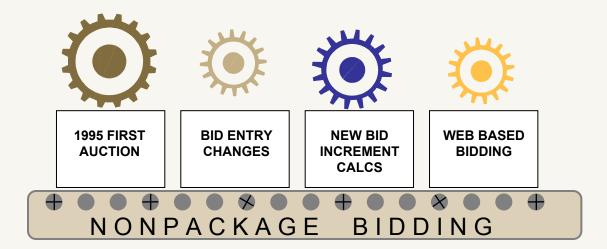
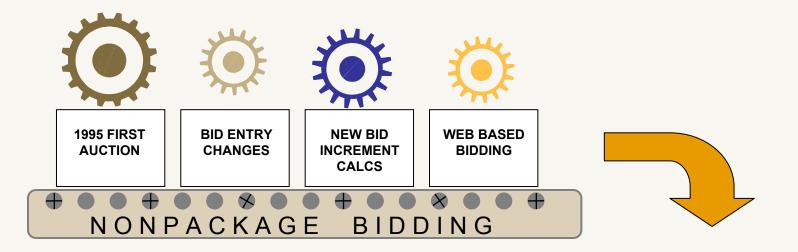
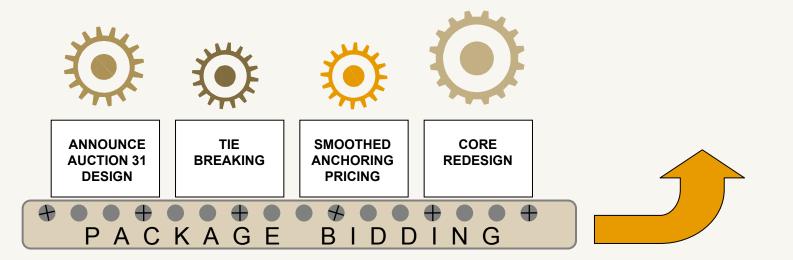
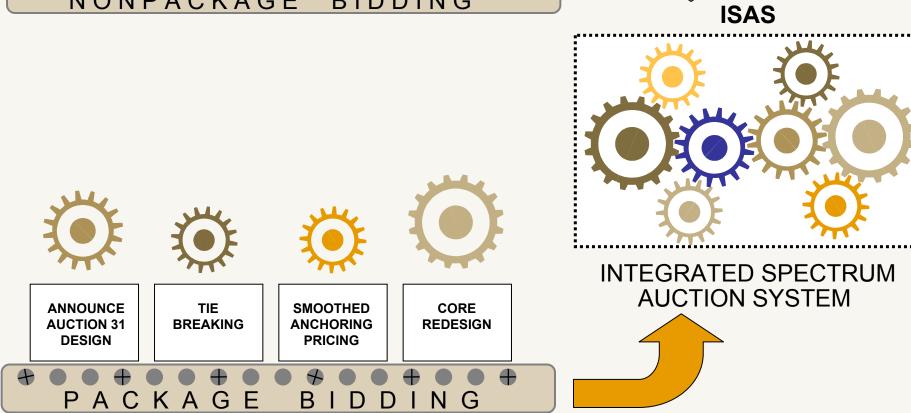
BUILDING A SPECTRUM AUCTION SYSTEM











ISAS PACKAGE BIDDING **AUCTION** DESIGN

Auction Mechanism

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- Simultaneous
 Multiple Round
- Activity and Eligibility Rules
- Closing Rules:
 - Discretionary
 - 1 or 2 Round
 Simultaneous

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- Closing Rule:
 - 2 Round
 Simultaneous

Package Creation

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- Bidders can create any combination of two or more items subject to:
 - Items were selected on application form
 - Current eligibility
- Bidders can create a similar package from one of its existing packages

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Bidding Language

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- XOR
 - All bids of a bidder are mutually exclusive
- A bidder can win at most one of its bids

- XOR of OR
 - Bids of a bidder are mutually exclusive between rounds
- A bidder can win any non-overlapping combination of bids placed in the same round

Minimum Acceptable Bids

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- Minimum opening bid amount if not bid on
- MAB of an individual item is its current price plus a percentage
- MAB percentage calculated using smoothing
- MAB of a package is the sum of the MABs of the items in the package
- Fixed MAB percentage for global package (optional)

- The MAB of an item or package is the greater of:
 - Minimum opening bid amount of the item/package
 - Bidder's previous high bid on the item/package plus x%
 - Current price estimate of the item/package plus z%
- CPE of a package is the sum of the CPEs of the items in the package
- Fixed MAB percentage for global package (optional)

Increment Bids

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- Variable number of increment bid amounts allowed
- Increment calculated as a fixed percentage of the MAB
- Increment bid amounts calculated as MAB + k*increment

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Placing Bids

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- Click-box
- Simultaneous submission
- Limited by current eligibility
- Bid removals allowed within the same round
- Bid import function

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Activity Calculations

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- Maximum bidding units a bidder can win considering:
 - Current provisionally winning bids
 - New bids made in the round
 - Old bids where the previous bid amount is ≥ to the current MAB
- Calculation requires a sort

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 - Current provisionally winning bids
 - New bids made in the round
 - Renewed provisionally winning bids
- Calculation requires an optimization problem to be solved

Activity Reqs & Waivers

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- Required activity
 calculated each round
 as a fraction of the
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- Waivers can be applied either proactively or automatically or both

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Eligibility Reduction

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System Parameters

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- Number of packages created
- Number of bids submitted in a round
- Number of considered bids in the auction
 - Limits number of combinations that can be bid on but not the number of bids placed

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 Number of packages created

Provisionally Winning Bids

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- Considered bids:
 - For each bidder, the highest bid made on each of its items/packages
 - FCC bids on each item
- Maximize revenue subject to constraints
- Ties broken randomly using selection numbers
- No withdrawals

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 - For each bidder, all bids made in the auction
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Last and Best Bids

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 No provision for last and best bids

- Two sets of last and best bids
- Last and best bid sets are mutually exclusive
- Etc...



Ideas for Enhancements

- Interface customization
- Sophisticated system help
- Package creation tool
- **Bidding** tool
- Final proxy round



